

SUBCOMMITTEE ACTIVITIES FOR FY 1960

All Subcommittees have been requested to stress the following activities during the following year, insofar as they are applicable:

1. Review and Revision of Priority Deficiencies of Research.

Almost all Priority Deficiency statements are a year or so old, and some are quite old. Except for the last ones approved these statements are not geared to the PNEIO's. In the meantime, research has continued, old priorities have been fulfilled or lost their urgency, and new problems arisen. All Subcommittees have, therefore, been asked to review and revise their approved Priority Research Deficiencies and up-date these statements, relating same to the proper PNEIOs and submit the new statements to the EIC for approval.

2. Priority ^{collection} Research Deficiencies. Only a few SCs have completed and had approved statements of Priority Collection Deficiencies. As appropriate, the EIC/S has been forwarding to the subcommittees, ORR/GIs for subcommittee consideration and guidance in the preparation of community-agreed statements of priority ^{collection} research deficiencies for EIC review and approval. Each subcommittee should be actively engaged in this work during the coming year.

3. Review of Economic Intelligence Research Programs.

Several of the subcommittees last year undertook a program of presentation of current agency research programs in their fields as a matter of community information and of coordination of research programs generally. These discussions have proved very helpful in the SCs where the program is under way. All subcommittees are urged to establish similar presentations

4. Substantive Review of Agency Research. Each subcommittee has been asked to promote subcommittee review of agency substantive research in its field. Agencies should be urged to present for subcommittee review appropriate substantive research of community interest. It has been stressed that this does not mean the subcommittee should concur in the papers or do a detailed review page-by-page, but the subcommittee should be given an opportunity to consider major conclusions and/or take exception, as the case may be. It is also desirable, if such coordination can be effected prior to publication, that in the Foreword such inter-agency agreement on conclusions be indicated, e.g., as in the ORR report on Soviet Agriculture.

highly selective
at initiative of originating agency
general concurrence - general statements of exceptions
full attention to turning on more urgent reports, if
monetary currency selected.

exchange program